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Encl: (1) USS HEWITT Command History for 1997
(2) USS HEWITT Welcome Aboard Pamphlet

1. Per reference (a), the following unclassified command history with supporting documents are provided as enclosures (1) and (2).

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USS HEWITT (DD 966)
COMMAND HISTORY
1 JANUARY 1997 - 31 DECEMBER 1997

I. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

USS HEWITT (DD 966) was commanded by Commander Timothy J. Howington, USN from 1 January 1997 through 31 December 1997. HEWITT began 1997 as a member of Forward Deployed Naval Forces, homeported in Yokosuka, Japan, assigned to Destroyer Squadron FIFTEEN. HEWITT shifted homeport on 24 August 1997 to San Diego, California, assigned to Destroyer Squadron TWO THREE, the "Little Beavers." With a crew of 22 officers and 285 enlisted personnel, HEWITT's primary missions include Strike Warfare, Surface Warfare, Undersea Warfare, Air Warfare, and Amphibious Warfare.

II. CHRONOLGY

01 JAN - 10 FEB	Inport Yokosuka, Japan
11 - 13 FEB	Underway, North Pacific Ocean
14 - 16 FEB	Inport Yokosuka, Japan
17 - 28 FEB	Enroute Guam
17 - 23 FEB	ASWEX 97-2JA
01 - 11 MAR	Inport Guam
12 - 15 MAR	Enroute Yokosuka, Japan
16 - 30 MAR	Inport Yokosuka, Upkeep
31 MAR - 01 APR	Enroute Chinhae, South Korea
02 APR	Anchored Chinhae, South Korea
03 - 09 APR	Underway Sea of Japan for SHAREM 120B
10 - 12 APR	Enroute Yellow Sea for ANTI-SOFEX
13 APR	Enroute Pusan, South Korea

14 - 15 APR	Inport Pusan, South Korea
16 APR	Enroute Sasebo, Japan
17 - 20 APR	Inport Sasebo, Japan
21 APR	Enroute Yokosuka, Japan
22 APR - 14 JUL	Inport Yokosuka for Selected Restricted Availability
04 JUL	Ship's Picnic
15 - 16 JUL	Underway Northern Pacific Ocean
17 - 20 JUL	Inport Yokosuka, Upkeep
21 - 22 JUL	Underway Northern Pacific Ocean
23 JUL - 03 AUG	Inport Yokosuka, Upkeep
04 - 06 AUG	Underway Northern Pacific Ocean
07 - 27 AUG	Inport Yokosuka, Upkeep
15 - 16 AUG	Mt. Fuji Farewell Climb
28 AUG	Homeport Shift: San Diego, California
28 AUG - 08 SEP	Enroute Juneau, Alaska
09 - 10 SEP	Inport Juneau, Alaska
11 - 14 SEP	Enroute Esquimalt, British Columbia
15 - 18 SEP	Inport Esquimalt, British Columbia
19 - 21 SEP	Enroute Seal Beach, California
22 SEP	Inport Seal Beach, California
23 SEP	Enroute San Diego, California

24 SEP - 31 DEC Inport San Diego, California

14 - 15 OCT CART II

19 - 31 DEC Holiday Standdown